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REMARKS

The allowance of claim 12 is noted with appreciation.

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 10, and 18-20 were rejected under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim one was deemed to contain subject matter which was not described in the specification. Claim 1 has been amended to delete the added claim limitations deemed unsupported in the specification. Claim 12 was allowed, thus the features of claim 12 were added to claim 1 to make claim 1 allowable. Each of the claimed subject matter in claim 12 and amended claim 1 is fully supported in the specification. Therefore, dependent claims 2, 4-6, and 10 are also allowable. Claim 18 has been canceled.

Claims 1,2, 4-6, 10, and 13-20 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 1 was rejected due to the inclusion the same newly added limitation as described in paragraph 4 of the office action. As previously indicated, claim 1 has been amended to resemble claim 12, an allowed claim. Therefore, claim 1 as amended is now allowable. Claim 13 was rejected because "an eye lens" lacked an antecedent basis. Claim 13 has been amended to obviate the rejection. Claims 14-20 have been canceled.

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Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 10, and 18-20 were rejected under 35 USC §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. As suggested by the Examiner the offending language was removed from the claim. Claim 18 has been canceled.

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 10, and 14-17 were rejected under 35 USC §102(a) as being clearly anticipated by Ganem, et al. Method claim 12 was allowed in the last office action. Apparatus claim 1 was amended to resemble method claim 12. Ganem does not contain, describe or imply the features of claim 12 or amended claim 1. The dependent claims (2, 4-6 and 10) are now allowable. Claims 14-20 have been canceled.

Claims 18-20 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ganem, et al. Claims 18-20 have been canceled.

Having responded to each and every objection and rejection raised by the Examiner, it is believed that the patent application is now in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions for expediting an allowance in this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned collect.

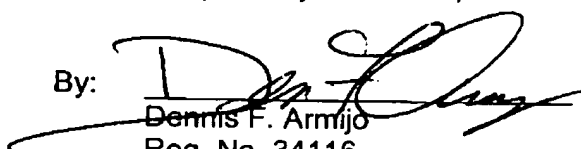
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